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Re: High Energy Efficient Window Products

Dear Mr. LaFrance,

The Systems Building Research Alliance (SBRA) is pleased to support the Department of Energy's (DOE) initiative to make available high energy efficient window products on a volume purchase basis.

SBRA is a non-profit organization with the mission of developing new technologies to enhance the value, quality, and performance of the nation's factory built homes, both manufactured and modular. SBRA's research supports the industry by developing new methods for using factory built homes in a wide array of housing applications, by solving technical challenges, and by paving the way for innovations in home design, construction, and installation. The factory built home industry is responsible for 20% of the nation's new home construction.

SBRA members include high volume factory home producers, retailers and builders and community owners, suppliers, consumers, financial institutions, insurance companies, power suppliers, and other research organizations involved in the factory built housing industry. We believe that high energy efficient window products greatly contribute to energy conservation and savings for our members and are a technology that will be vital to future energy efficiency initiatives.

We commend DOE for pioneering efforts intended to put emerging window technologies within reach of our affordable homebuyers. The high energy efficient window products result in an immediate emission reduction and savings for American families. There is a genuine need to accelerate their entry into the housing market.

Sincerely yours,
Systems Building Research Alliance



Emanuel Levy
Executive Director